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| (d) They present additional claims without canceling a co | rresponding number of finally r | ejected claims. | |
| NOTE: <u>see attached</u> . (See 37 CFR 1.116 and 41.33 | | | |
| 4. $oxedsymbol{oxed}$ The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121 | | Compliant Amendment | (PTOL-324). |
| 5. \square Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): _ | | | |
| Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would be allo non-allowable claim(s). | wable if submitted in a separate | e, timely filed amendme | ent canceling the |
| 7. For purposes of appeal, the proposed amendment(s): a) how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided the status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows: Claim(s) allowed: | will not be entered, or b) \(\sum_{\circ}\) will not be entered, or b) \(\sum_{\circ}\) | will be entered and an e | explanation of |
| Claim(s) allowed: Claim(s) objected to: | | | |
| Claim(s) rejected: | | | |
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| The affidavit or other evidence filed after a final action, but I because applicant failed to provide a showing of good and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 1.116(e). | pefore or on the date of filing a sufficient reasons why the affida | Notice of Appeal will <u>no</u> avit or other evidence is | t be entered necessary and |
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| 11. The request for reconsideration has been considered but of | loes NOT place the application | in condition for allowar | nce because: |
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ADVISORY ACTION

The amendment filed March 27, 2007 under 37 CFR 1.116 in reply to the final rejection has been considered but is not deemed to place the application in condition for allowance and will not be entered because the amendment raises new issues, that require further consideration and/or search.

The amendment introduces a new claim 33, which is drawn to 'a method of suppressing nicotine binding to receptor sites'. The instant claim continues to be a 'reach through' claim.

'Reach through' claims, in general have a format drawn to mechanistic, receptor binding or enzymatic functionality and thereby reach through any or all diseases, disorders or conditions, for which they lack written description and enabling disclosure in the specification thereby requiring undue experimentation for one of skill in the art to practice the invention. The reasons provided in the previous office action are applicable to the newly added claim as the claim reads on all types of diseases, disorders or conditions.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Deepak Rao whose telephone number is (571) 272-0672. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8:00am to 5:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, James O. Wilson, can be reached at (571) 272-0661. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571) 273-8300.

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